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Programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001

Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. At its 9th plenary meeting, on 11 September 2000, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-fifth session the item entitled "Programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 2nd, 6th, 32nd, 33rd and 37th to 43rd meetings, on 19 September, 2 October, 27 and 29 November, 12 to 15, 18, 21 and 22 December 2000. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/55/SR.2, 6, 32, 33 and 37-43).

3. In accordance with the criteria for the use of the contingency fund annexed to General Assembly resolution 42/211 of 21 December 1987, the Committee, at its 43rd meeting, on 22 December 2000, considered a consolidated statement of all programme budget implications and revised estimates that were subject to the criteria for the use of the contingency fund. The consolidated amount fell within the available balance of the contingency fund. The Committee therefore proceeded to approve the required amounts under the relevant sections of the programme budget.

4. Section II of the present report provides a summary of the recommendations of the Fifth Committee during the fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly on the revised estimates submitted by the Secretary-General and on the programme budget implications of resolutions adopted by the Assembly, either on the recommendation of its Main Committees or in respect of items considered in plenary meeting.

5. Section III of the present report provides a summary of the special subjects considered by the Fifth Committee that led to the adoption of specific decisions to be recommended to the General Assembly.

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6. The recommendations of the Fifth Committee are contained in section IV.

II. Programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001

7. In its resolutions 54/250 A and B of 23 December 1999, the General Assembly approved budget appropriations for the biennium 2000-2001 in the amount of $2,535,689,200 and income estimates in the amount of $361,298,900.

8. Recommendations of the Fifth Committee during the current session of the General Assembly on revised estimates submitted by the Secretary-General, as well as on the programme budget implications of resolutions adopted by the Assembly under items considered by other Main Committees or in respect of items considered in plenary meeting, have resulted in a net decrease in the approved level of appropriations in the amount of $2,563,800 and a net increase in the approved income estimates in the amount of $19,523,800.

9. The revised estimates of expenditure and income approved by the Fifth Committee and the financial implications of resolutions recommended by other Main Committees and subsequently by the General Assembly are indicated, by expenditure and income section, below:

Section			Amount approved in resolution 54/250 A	Increase (decrease)	Revised appropriation
			(in United States dollars)		
A.	**Expenditure sections**				
1.	Overall policy-making, direction and coordination		47 675 100		
		First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		338 000	
		Total	**47 675 100**	**338 000**	**48 013 100**
2.	General Assembly affairs and conference services		425 970 200		
		First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		(16 946 100)	
		Total	**425 970 200**	**(16 946 100)**	**409 024 100**
3.	Political affairs		137 756 000		
	(a)	First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		10 073 300	
	(b)	The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development (A/C.5/55/27 and A/C.5/55/SR.40)		191 800	
	(c)	Resource requirements for implementation of the report of the Panel on United Nations Peace Operations (A/55/305, A/55/502, A/55/507 and Add.1 and A/C.4/55/6 and A/C.5/55/SR.43)		363 000	
	(d)	Emergency international assistance for peace, normalcy and reconstruction of war-stricken Afghanistan and the situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security (A/C.5/55/31 and A/C.5/55/SR.41)		6 315 600	
	(e)	United Nations Verification Mission in Guatemala, programme budget implications of draft resolution A/55/L.33/Rev.1 (A/C.5/55/24 and A/C.5/55/SR.40)		8 992 200	
	(f)	Estimates pertaining to matters of which the Security Council is seized (A/C.5/55/30 and A/55/7/Add.6 and A/C.5/55/SR.43)		4 162 500	
	(g)	Recosting of outstanding statements of programme budget implications and revised estimates (A/C.5/55/35 and A/C.5/55/SR.43)		(9 700)	
		Total	**137 756 000**	**30 088 700**	**167 844 700**
4.	Disarmament		14 067 900		
		First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		(247 000)	
		Total	**14 067 900**	**(247 000)**	**13 820 900**

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		(in United States dollars)		
5.	Peacekeeping operations	76 094 700		
	First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		(1 210 700)	
	Total	**76 094 700**	**(1 210 700)**	**74 884 000**
6.	Peaceful uses of outer space	3 667 700		
	First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		(354 200)	
	Total	**3 667 700**	**(354 200)**	**3 313 500**
7.	International Court of Justice	20 864 500		
	(a) First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		(849 700)	
	(b) Revised estimates under section 7, International Court of Justice (A/C.5/55/21, A/55/7/Add.2 and A/C.5/55/SR.43)		710 400	
	(c) Recosting of outstanding statements of programme budget implications and revised estimates (A/C.5/55/35 and A/C.5/55/SR.43)		(118 500)	
	Total	**20 864 500**	**(257 800)**	**20 606 700**
8.	Legal affairs	34 522 300		
	First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		(641 700)	
	Total	**34 522 300**	**(641 700)**	**33 880 600**
9.	Economic and social affairs	113 112 600		
	(a) First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		(1 480 800)	
	(b) The critical situation of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (A/C.5/55/26 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		800 000	
	Total	**113 112 600**	**(680 800)**	**112 431 800**
10.	Africa: New Agenda for Development	5 883 400		
	First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		(23 600)	
	Total	**5 883 400**	**(23 600)**	**5 859 800**
11A.	Trade and development	87 685 500		
	First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		(6 311 900)	
	Total	**87 685 500**	**(6 311 900)**	**81 373 600**

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11B.	International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO	19 248 700		
	First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		(2 238 900)	
	Total	**19 248 700**	**(2 238 900)**	**17 009 800**
12.	Environment	8 743 400		
	First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		(642 500)	
	Total	**8 743 400**	**(642 500)**	**8 100 900**
13.	Human settlements	13 757 400		
	First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		(1 460 100)	
	Total	**13 757 400**	**(1 460 100)**	**12 297 300**
14.	Crime prevention and criminal justice	5 299 100		
	First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		(477 800)	
	Total	**5 299 100**	**(477 800)**	**4 821 300**
15.	International drug control	15 037 800		
	First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		(1 319 600)	
	Total	**15 037 800**	**(1 319 600)**	**13 718 200**
16.	Economic and social development in Africa	78 455 200		
	First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		2 189 800	
	Total	**78 455 200**	**2 189 800**	**80 645 000**
17.	Economic and social development in Asia and the Pacific	57 031 600		
	First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		(2 620 400)	
	Total	**57 031 600**	**(2 620 400)**	**54 411 200**
18.	Economic development in Europe	40 554 600		
	First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		(3 140 000)	
	Total	**40 554 600**	**(3 140 000)**	**37 414 600**
19.	Economic and social development in Latin America and the Caribbean	78 857 500		
	First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		(3 273 400)	
	Total	**78 857 500**	**(3 273 400)**	**75 584 100**

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20.	Economic and social development in Western Asia	50 336 200		
	First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		(1 754 800)	
	Total	**50 336 200**	**(1 754 800)**	**48 581 400**
21.	Regular programme of technical cooperation	41 995 300		
	First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		(740 500)	
	Total	**41 995 300**	**(740 500)**	**41 254 800**
22.	Human rights	41 163 400		
	First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		(2 095 700)	
	Total	**41 163 400**	**(2 095 700)**	**39 067 700**
23.	Protection of and assistance to refugees	41 940 000		
	First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		(3 101 100)	
	Total	**41 940 000**	**(3 101 100)**	**38 838 900**
24.	Palestine refugees	21 667 900		
	First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		1 507 500	
	Total	**21 667 900**	**1 507 500**	**23 175 400**
25.	Humanitarian assistance	18 841 800		
	First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		(393 900)	
	Total	**18 841 800**	**(393 900)**	**18 447 900**
26.	Public information	143 605 500		
	First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		(1 071 000)	
	Total	**143 605 500**	**(1 071 000)**	**142 534 500**
27.	Management and central support services	441 857 400		
	(a) First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		(8 325 700)	
	(b) Resource requirements for implementation of the report of the Panel on United Nations Peace Operations (A/55/305, A/55/502, A/55/507 and Add.1 and A/C.4/55/6 and A/C.5/55/SR.43)		37 200	

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	(c)	Recosting of outstanding statements of programme budget implications and revised estimates (A/C.5/55/35 and A/C.5/55/SR.43)		200	
		Total	**441 857 400**	**(8 288 300)**	**433 569 100**
28.	Internal oversight		19 220 600		
		First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		(469 900)	
		Total	**19 220 600**	**(469 900)**	**18 750 700**
29.	Jointly financed administrative activities		7 844 300		
		First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		176 200	
		Total	**7 844 300**	**176 200**	**8 020 500**
30.	Special expenses		53 001 200		
	(a)	First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		(696 400)	
	(b)	Safety and security of United Nations personnel (A/55/494, A/55/658 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		2 210 000	
	(c)	Recosting of outstanding statements of programme budget implications and revised estimates (A/C.5/55/35 and A/C.5/55/SR.43)		(3 100)	
		Total	**53 001 200**	**1 510 500**	**54 511 700**
31.	Capital expenditures		42 617 400		
	(a)	First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		(850 100)	
	(b)	Capital master plan (A/55/117 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.4 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		8 000 000	
		Total	**42 617 400**	**7 149 900**	**49 767 300**
32.	Staff assessment		314 248 000		
	(a)	First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		13 810 500	
	(b)	Safety and security of United Nations personnel (A/55/494, A/55/658 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		238 400	
	(c)	Revised estimates under section 7, International Court of Justice (A/C.5/55/21, A/55/7/Add.2 and A/C.5/55/SR.43)		128 800	
	(d)	Resource requirements for implementation of the report of the Panel on United Nations Peace Operations (A/55/305, A/55/502, A/55/507 and Add.1 and A/C.4/55/6 and A/C.5/55/SR.43)		19 200	

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	(c)	Recosting of outstanding statements of programme budget implications and revised estimates (A/C.5/55/35 and A/C.5/55/SR.43)		40 400	
		Total	**314 248 000**	**14 237 300**	**328 485 300**
33.	Development Account		13 065 000		
		Total	**13 065 000**	**-**	**13 065 000**
		Grand total, expenditure estimates (gross)	**2 535 689 200**	**(2 563 800)**	**2 533 125 400**
B.	**Income sections**				
1.	Income from staff assessment		318 911 500		
	(a)	First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		13 786 900	
	(b)	Safety and security of United Nations personnel (A/55/494, A/55/658 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		238 400	
	(c)	Revised estimates under section 7, International Court of Justice (A/C.5/55/21, A/55/7/Add.2 and A/C.5/55/SR.43)		128 800	
	(d)	Resource requirements for implementation of the report of the Panel on United Nations Peace Operations (A/55/305, A/55/502, A/55/507 and Add.1 and A/C.4/55/6 and A/C.5/55/SR.43)		19 200	
	(e)	Recosting of outstanding statements of programme budget implications and revised estimates (A/C.5/55/35 and A/C.5/55/SR.43)		40 400	
		Total	**318 911 500**	**14 213 700**	**333 125 200**
2.	General income		37 178 000		
		First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		5 550 600	
		Total	**37 178 000**	**5 550 600**	**42 728 600**
3.	Services to the public		5 209 400		
		First performance report (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/55/7/Add.5 and A/C.5/55/SR.42)		(240 500)	
		Total	**5 209 400**	**(240 500)**	**4 968 900**
		Grand total, income sections	**361 298 900**	**19 523 800**	**380 822 700**

10. At its 43rd meeting, on 22 December, the Committee considered the revised estimates of expenditure and income to be recommended for approval by the General Assembly for the biennium 2000-2001, as well as the financing of the appropriations for the year 2000. The Committee took the following action:

(a) The Committee approved the revised budget appropriations for the biennium 2000-2001 (see para. 37, draft resolution II A);

(b) The Committee approved the revised income estimates for the biennium 2000-2001 (see para. 37, draft resolution II B);

(c) The Committee approved the draft resolution on the financing of the appropriations for the year 2001 (see para. 37, draft resolution II C).

III. Consideration of special subjects

Report of the Panel on United Nations Peace Operations

11. The Committee considered this question at its 32nd, 33rd, 38th, 39th and 43rd meetings, on 27 and 29 November and 13, 14 and 22 December. It had before it the reports of the Secretary-General (A/55/305-S/2000/809, A/55/502 and A/55/507 and Add.1), the report of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations (A/C.4/55/6) and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/55/676).

12. At its 43rd meeting, on 22 December, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled "Report of the Panel on United Nations Peace Operations" (A/C.5/55/L.32). At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/55/L.32 without a vote (see para. 37, draft resolution I, sect. I).

Safety and security of United Nations personnel

13. The Committee considered this question at its 37th, 38th and 42nd meetings, on 12, 13 and 21 December. It had before it the report of the Secretary-General (A/55/494) and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/55/658).

14. At its 42nd meeting, on 21 December, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled "Safety and security of United Nations personnel" (A/C.5/55/L.30). At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote (see para. 37, draft resolution I, sect. II).

Revised estimates in respect of matters of which the Security Council is seized

15. The Committee considered this question at it 41st meeting, on 18 December. It had before it the report of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/55/30) and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/55/7/Add.6).

16. At the same meeting, the Committee had before it a draft decision entitled "Revised estimates in respect of matters of which the Security Council is seized" (A/C.5/55/L.22, sect. C). Also at the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft decision without a vote (see para. 37, draft resolution I, sect. III).

Capital master plan

17. The Committee considered this question at its 39th, 40th and 42nd meetings, on 14, 15 and 21 December. It had before it the reports of the Secretary-General (A/55/117 and Add.1) and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/55/7/Add.4).

18. At its 42nd meeting, on 21 December, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled "Capital master plan" (A/C.5/55/L.28). At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution without a vote (see para. 37, draft resolution I, sect. IV).

Revised estimates under section 7, International Court of Justice

19. The Committee considered this question at its 33rd and 43rd meetings, on 29 November and 22 December. It had before it the report of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/55/21) and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/55/7/Add.2).

20. At the 43rd meeting, on 22 December, the Committee approved an additional appropriation of $591,900 under section 7, International Court of Justice, of the programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001 and an additional appropriation of $128,800 under section 32, Staff assessment, offset by the same amount under income section 1, Income from staff assessment. Further, the Joint Inspection Unit was requested to expedite its report on the review of the management and administration of the International Court of Justice (see A/53/841, annex, para. 5) and to submit it, together with the comments of the International Court of Justice thereon, for consideration by the General Assembly at its resumed fifty-fifth session (see para. 37, draft resolution I, sect. V).

Revised estimates of resolutions and decisions adopted by the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 2000

21. The Committee considered this question at its 41st and 42nd meetings, on 18 and 21 December. It had before it the reports of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/55/25 and Corr.1 and Add.1). The related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions was presented orally by its Chairman.

22. At its 42nd meeting, on 21 December, the Committee had before it a draft decision entitled "Revised estimates of resolutions and decisions adopted by the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 2000" (A/C.5/55/L.31). At the 42nd meeting, the Committee adopted the draft decision without a vote (see para. 38, draft decision I).

Request for a subvention to the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research resulting from the recommendations of the Board of Trustees of the Institute on the work programme of the Institute for 2001

23. The Committee considered this question at its 33rd and 42nd meetings, on 29 November and 21 December. It had before it a note by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/55/15) transmitting the recommendation of the Board of Trustees of the Institute for a subvention. The report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions was presented orally by its Chairman.

24. At the 42nd meeting, on 21 December, on the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided, without a vote, to approve the recommendation for a subvention of $213,000 from the regular budget of the United Nations for 2001, on the understanding that no additional appropriation would be required under section 4, Disarmament, of the programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001 (see para. 37, draft resolution I, sect. VI).

Conditions of service and compensation for officials, other than Secretariat officials, serving the General Assembly: full-time members of the International Civil Service Commission and the Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

25. The Committee considered this question at its 41st and 43rd meetings, on 18 and 22 December. It had before it the report of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/55/29).

26. At its 43rd meeting, on 22 December, the Committee had before it a draft decision entitled "Conditions of service and compensation for officials, other than Secretariat officials, serving the General Assembly: full-time members of the International Civil Service Commission and the Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions" (A/C.5/55/L.35). At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft decision without a vote (see para. 37, draft resolution I, sect. VII).

Review of the Information Systems Coordination Committee

27. The Committee considered this question at its 41st meeting, on 18 December. It had before it the report of the Secretary-General (A/55/619) and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/55/7/Add.3).

28. Also at its 41st meeting, the Committee had before it a draft decision entitled "Review of the Information Systems Coordination Committee" (A/C.5/55/L.22, sect. E). At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft decision without a vote (see para. 37, draft resolution I, sect. VIII).

The critical situation of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women

29. The Committee considered this question at its 39th and 42nd meetings, on 14 and 21 December. It had before it a statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly on the programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/55/L.16/Rev.1 (A/C.5/55/26) and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/55/677).

30. At its 42nd meeting, on 21 December, the Committee had before it a draft decision entitled "The critical situation of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women" (A/C.5/55/L.27). At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft decision without a vote (see para. 38, draft decision II).

First performance report on the programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001

31. The Committee considered this question at its 39th, 40th and 42nd meetings, on 14, 15 and 21 December. It had before it the reports of the Secretary-General (A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1) and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/55/7/Add.5 and Corr.1).

32. At its 42nd meeting, on 21 December, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled "First performance report on the programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001" (A/C.5/55/L.24). At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution as orally amended without a vote (see para. 37, draft resolution I, sect. IX).

Contingency fund

33. The Committee considered this question at its 43rd meeting, on 22 December. It had before it the report of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/55/34). The report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions was presented orally by its Chairman.

34. At the same meeting, the Fifth Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend to the General Assembly that it appropriate the required amounts, as contained in the report of the Secretary-General, and that it note that a balance of $224,300 would remain in the contingency fund (see para. 37, draft resolution I, sect. X).

Recosting of outstanding statements of programme budget implications and revised estimates

35. The Committee considered this question at its 43rd meeting, on 22 December. It had before it the report of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/55/35). The report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions was presented orally by its Chairman.

36. At the same meeting, on the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend to the General Assembly that it take note of the report of the Secretary-General and that the recosting and the related adjustments be reflected in the revised appropriation for the biennium 2000-2001 (see para. 37, draft resolution I, sect. XI).

IV. Recommendations of the Fifth Committee

37. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolutions:

Draft resolution I
Questions relating to the programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001

The General Assembly,

I. Report on the Panel on United Nations Peace Operations

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on resource requirements for implementation of the report of the Panel on United Nations Peace Operations[1] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2]

Taking full account of the report of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations on the comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects[3] and General Assembly resolution 55/135 of 8 December 2000, endorsing the proposals, recommendation and conclusions of the Special Committee contained in its report,

Recalling its resolutions 45/258 of 3 May 1991, 47/218 A of 23 December 1992, 48/226 A of 23 December 1993, 48/226 B of 5 April 1994, 48/226 C of 29 July 1994, 49/250 of 20 July 1995, 50/11 of 2 November 1995, 50/221 A of 11 April 1996, 50/221 B of 7 June 1996, 51/226 of 3 April 1997, 51/239 A of 17 June 1997, 51/239 B and 51/243 of 15 September 1997, 52/220 of 22 December 1997, 52/234 and 52/248 of 26 June 1998, 53/12 A of 26 October 1998, 53/208 B of 18 December 1998, 53/12 B of 8 June 1999, 54/243 A of 23 December 1999 and 54/243 B of 15 June 2000 and its decisions 48/489 of 8 July 1994, 49/469 of 23 December 1994 and 50/473 of 23 December 1995,

Recalling its resolutions 54/249 and 54/250 of 23 December 1999,

Recalling also its resolution 55/2 of 8 September 2000 on the United Nations Millennium Declaration,

1. *Reaffirms* rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly;

2. *Agrees* with the views expressed by the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations in paragraphs 34 and 35 of its report on the comprehensive review;[3]

3. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2] and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

4. *Decides* to appropriate an additional amount of 363,000 United States dollars under section 3, Political affairs, 37,200 dollars under section 27, Management and central support services, and 19,200 dollars under section 32, Staff assessment, to be offset by a corresponding amount (19,200 dollars) under income

[1] A/55/507 and Add.1.
[2] A/55/676.
[3] A/C.4/55/6.

section 1, Income from staff assessment, of the programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001;[4]

5. *Approves* the support account post and non-post requirements in the amount of 9,190,200 dollars gross (8,741,600 dollars net) for the period from 1 July 2000 to 30 June 2001;

6. *Agrees* with paragraph 36 of the report of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations[3] relating to proper representation of troop-contributing countries in the Department of Peacekeeping Operations;

7. *Underscores* the importance of consultation with troop-contributing countries from the early stages of mission planning;

8. *Expresses deep concern* over the delay in reimbursement of troop contributors, which can cause hardship to all troop- and equipment-contributing countries, and requests the Secretariat to expedite the processing of all claims and present a progress report in this regard during the first part of the resumed fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly;

9. *Notes* that the related resource requirements presented by the Secretary-General have been described by him as an emergency request, whereas, in terms of paragraph 11 of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2] it was acknowledged that not all the proposals in the resource requirements document could be classified as emergency requests;

10. *Regrets* that the report of the Secretary-General on resource requirements was not presented in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedures of the General Assembly and with established practices, as pointed out in paragraph 3 of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2] and requests the Secretary-General to strictly comply with those rules in the future;

11. *Notes* that the report of the Secretary-General on resource requirements has not been issued in compliance with the six-week rule;

12. *Takes note* of the intention of the Secretary-General to submit future reports to the General Assembly at its fifty-fifth and fifty-sixth sessions on the implementation of the recommendations in the report of the Panel on United Nations Peace Operations, including the comprehensive review requested by the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations of the management, structure, recruitment processes and interrelationships of all relevant elements within the Secretariat that play a role in peacekeeping operations;

II. Safety and security of United Nations personnel

Reaffirming its resolutions 54/249 of 23 December 1999, 54/250 of 23 December 1999 and other relevant resolutions,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General entitled "Safety and security of United Nations personnel",[5] in particular its administrative and

[4] See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 6* (A/54/6/Rev.1).

[5] A/55/494.

budgetary aspects, and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[6]

1. *Endorses* the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, subject to the following provisions;

2. *Decides* to consider the reclassification of the post of Deputy Security Coordinator from the D-1 to the D-2 level in the context of its review of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003;

3. *Also decides* to establish, effective 1 January 2001, eight additional Professional posts (two P-5 and six P-4) in the Office of the United Nations Security Coordinator at Headquarters;

4. *Further decides* to establish, effective 1 January 2001, eight additional security officer (Field Service) posts (four P-4 and four P-3) and sixteen additional Local level posts;

5. *Decides* to appropriate the amount of 2,210,000 dollars under section 30, Special expenses, and the amount of 238,400 dollars under section 32, Staff assessment, to be offset by an equivalent amount under income section 1, Income from staff assessment, of the programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001,[7] for the Secretary-General to undertake the immediate measures for the strengthening of the security management system of the United Nations;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in his capacity as Chairman of the Administrative Committee on Coordination, to develop, in coordination with executive heads of the United Nations specialized agencies, funds and programmes, an effective mechanism for cost-sharing arrangements and, in this connection, to ensure that in future the costs of the security management system are included in the regular budget, to be managed by the United Nations, contingent upon a formal arrangement with the concerned agencies, funds and programmes for participation in the funding of security arrangements and reimbursement to the United Nations for services provided, under income section 2, General income, of the programme budget, and to submit proposals thereon to the General Assembly at its fifty-sixth session through the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions; also decides that, in the meantime, the established cost-sharing arrangements between the United Nations and its specialized agencies, funds and programmes will remain in place until the General Assembly decides otherwise;

7. *Also requests* the Secretary-General, when presenting future reports under these agenda items, to continue to ensure that separate reports are presented;

III. Revised estimates in respect of matters of which the Security Council is seized

Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General[8] on the revised estimates in respect of matters of which the Security Council is seized, and concurs with the

[6] A/55/658.

[7] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 6* (A/54/6/Rev.1).

[8] A/C.5/55/30.

observations and recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions contained in paragraph 7 of its report;[9]

IV. Capital master plan

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the capital master plan;[10]

2. *Takes note also* of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[11] and endorses the observations and recommendations contained therein;

3. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General, without prejudice to a final decision by the General Assembly on this issue, to proceed with the preparation of a comprehensive design plan and detailed cost analysis for the capital master plan, and decides to appropriate an amount of 8 million dollars under section 31, Construction, alteration, improvement and major maintenance, of the programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001 for this purpose;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit a report on the outcome of the comprehensive design plan and detailed cost analysis to the General Assembly as soon as possible, including details of measures designed to protect the Organization from cost overruns;

5. *Calls upon* the Secretary-General to ensure that the preparation of a comprehensive design plan and detailed cost analysis for the capital master plan will identify all viable alternatives in the most cost-effective and efficient manner;

V. International Court of Justice

1. *Approves* an additional appropriation of 591,900 dollars under section 7, International Court of Justice, of the programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001 and an additional appropriation of 128,800 dollars under section 32, Staff assessment, offset by the same amount under income section 1, Income from staff assessment;

2. *Requests* the Joint Inspection Unit to expedite its report on the review of the management and administration of the International Court of Justice[12] and to submit it, together with the comments of the Court thereon, for consideration by the General Assembly at its resumed fifty-fifth session;

VI. Request for a subvention to the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research resulting from the recommendations of the Board of Trustees of the Institute on the work programme of the Institute for 2001

Approves the recommendation for a subvention of 213,000 dollars from the regular budget of the United Nations for 2001, on the understanding that no additional appropriation would be required under section 4, Disarmament, of the programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001;

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[9] A/55/7/Add.6.

[10] A/55/117 and Add.1.

[11] A/55/7/Add.4.

[12] See A/53/841, annex, para. 5.

VII. Conditions of service and compensation for officials, other than Secretariat officials, serving the General Assembly: full-time members of the International Civil Service Commission and the Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on the conditions of service and compensation for officials, other than Secretariat officials, serving the General Assembly: full-time members of the International Civil Service Commission and the Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[13] and approves the suggestions outlined in paragraphs 8 to 10 and in paragraph 19 of the report;

VIII. Review of the Information Systems Coordination Committee

Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on the review of the Information Systems Coordination Committee,[14] and concurs with the observations and recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions in paragraph 9 of its report;[15]

IX. First performance report on the programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001

Having considered the first performance report of the Secretary-General on the programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001[16] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[17]

1. *Reaffirms* the budgetary process as approved in its resolution 41/213 of 19 December 1986 and as reaffirmed in subsequent resolutions;

2. *Reaffirms also* its resolution 54/249 of 23 December 1999;

3. *Takes note* of the first performance report of the Secretary-General on the programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001[16] and the related report and recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;[17]

4. *Notes* the higher than budgeted vacancy rate relative to the rate approved by the General Assembly in its resolution 54/249, and requests the Secretary-General to take all appropriate measures to rectify this situation in an expeditious manner;

5. *Approves* a net decrease of 34,642,200 dollars in the appropriation approved for the biennium 2000-2001 and a net increase of 19,097,000 dollars in the estimates of income for the biennium, to be apportioned among expenditure and income sections, as indicated in the report of the Secretary-General;

X. Contingency fund

Notes that a balance of 224,300 dollars remains in the contingency fund;

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[13] A/C.5/55/29.
[14] A/55/619.
[15] A/55/7/Add.3.
[16] A/55/645 and Corr.1 and Add.1.
[17] A/55/7/Add.5.

XI. Recosting of outstanding statements of programme budget implications and revised estimates

Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General,[18] and decides that the recosting and the related adjustments should be reflected in the revised appropriation for the biennium 2000-2001.

Draft resolution II
Programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001

A
Revised budget appropriations for the biennium 2000-2001

The General Assembly

Resolves that for the biennium 2000-2001 the amount of 2,535,689,200 United States dollars appropriated by it in its resolution 54/250 A of 23 December 1999 shall be adjusted by 2,563,800 dollars, as follows:

[18] A/C.5/55/35.

Section		Amount approved in resolution 54/250 A	Increase/(decrease)	Revised appropriation
		(in United States dollars)		
Part I.	*Overall policy-making, direction and coordination*			
	1. Overall policy-making, direction and coordination	47 675 100	338 000	48 013 100
	2. General Assembly affairs and conference services	425 970 200	(16 946 100)	409 024 100
	Total, part I	**473 645 300**	**(16 608 100)**	**457 037 200**
Part II.	*Political affairs*			
	3. Political affairs	137 756 000	30 088 700	167 844 700
	4. Disarmament	14 067 900	(247 000)	13 820 900
	5. Peacekeeping operations	76 094 700	(1 210 700)	74 884 000
	6. Peaceful uses of outer space	3 667 700	(354 200)	3 313 500
	Total, part II	**231 586 300**	**28 276 800**	**259 863 100**
Part III.	*International justice and law*			
	7. International Court of Justice	20 864 500	(257 800)	20 606 700
	8. Legal affairs	34 522 300	(641 700)	33 880 600
	Total, part III	**55 386 800**	**(899 500)**	**54 487 300**
Part IV.	*International cooperation for development*			
	9. Economic and social affairs	113 112 600	(680 800)	112 431 800
	10. Africa: New Agenda for Development	5 883 400	(23 600)	5 859 800
	11A. Trade and development	87 685 500	(6 311 900)	81 373 600
	11B. International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO	19 248 700	(2 238 900)	17 009 800
	12. Environment	8 743 400	(642 500)	8 100 900
	13. Human settlements	13 757 400	(1 460 100)	12 297 300
	14. Crime prevention and criminal justice	5 299 100	(477 800)	4 821 300
	15. International drug control	15 037 800	(1 319 600)	13 718 200
	Total, part IV	**268 767 900**	**(13 155 200)**	**255 612 700**
Part V.	*Regional cooperation for development*			
	16. Economic and social development in Africa	78 455 200	2 189 800	80 645 000
	17. Economic and social development in Asia and the Pacific	57 031 600	(2 620 400)	54 411 200
	18. Economic development in Europe	40 554 600	(3 140 000)	37 414 600
	19. Economic and social development in Latin America and the Caribbean	78 857 500	(3 273 400)	75 584 100
	20. Economic and social development in Western Asia	50 336 200	(1 754 800)	48 581 400
	21. Regular programme of technical cooperation	41 995 300	(740 500)	41 254 800
	Total, part V	**347 230 400**	**(9 339 300)**	**337 891 100**

Section		Amount approved in resolution 54/250 A	Increase/(decrease)	Revised appropriation
		(in United States dollars)		
Part VI.	*Human rights and humanitarian affairs*			
	22. Human rights	41 163 400	(2 095 700)	39 067 700
	23. Protection of and assistance to refugees	41 940 000	(3 101 100)	38 838 900
	24. Palestine refugees	21 667 900	1 507 500	23 175 400
	25. Humanitarian assistance	18 841 800	(393 900)	18 447 900
	Total, part VI	**123 613 100**	**(4 083 200)**	**119 529 900**
Part VII.	*Public information*			
	26. Public information	143 605 500	(1 071 000)	142 534 500
	Total, part VII	**143 605 500**	**(1 071 000)**	**142 534 500**
Part VIII.	*Common support services*			
	27. Management and central support services	441 857 400	(8 288 300)	433 569 100
	Total, part VIII	**441 857 400**	**(8 288 300)**	**433 569 100**
Part IX.	*Internal oversight*			
	28. Internal oversight	19 220 600	(469 900)	18 750 700
	Total, part IX	**19 220 600**	**(469 900)**	**18 750 700**
Part X.	*Jointly financed administrative activities and special expenses*			
	29. Jointly financed administrative activities	7 844 300	176 200	8 020 500
	30. Special expenses	53 001 200	1 510 500	54 511 700
	Total, part X	**60 845 500**	**1 686 700**	**62 532 200**
Part XI.	*Capital expenditures*			
	31. Construction, alteration, improvement and major maintenance	42 617 400	7 149 900	49 767 300
	Total, part XI	**42 617 400**	**7 149 900**	**49 767 300**
Part XII.	*Staff assessment*			
	32. Staff assessment	314 248 000	14 237 300	328 485 300
	Total, part XII	**314 248 000**	**14 237 300**	**328 485 300**
Part XIII.	*Development Account*			
	33. Development Account	13 065 000	-	13 065 000
	Total, part XIII	**13 065 000**	**-**	**13 065 000**
	Grand total, expenditure estimates	**2 535 689 200**	**(2 563 800)**	**2 533 125 400**

B

Revised income estimates for the biennium 2000-2001

The General Assembly

Resolves that, for the biennium 2000-2001, the estimates of income of 361,298,900 United States dollars approved by it in its resolution 54/250 B of 23 December 1999 shall be increased by 19,523,800 dollars, as follows:

Income section	*Amount approved in resolution 54/250 B*	*Increase/(decrease)*	*Revised appropriation*
	(in United States dollars)		
1. Income from staff assessment	318 911 500	14 213 700	333 125 200
Total, income section 1	**318 911 500**	**14 213 700**	**333 125 200**
2. General income	37 178 000	5 550 600	42 728 600
3. Services to the public	5 209 400	(240 500)	4 968 900
Total, income sections 2 and 3	**42 387 400**	**5 310 100**	**47 697 500**
Grand total	**361 298 900**	**19 523 800**	**380 822 700**

C

Financing of the appropriations for the year 2001

The General Assembly

Resolves that, for the year 2001:

1. Budget appropriations totalling 1,265,280,800 United States dollars and consisting of 1,267,844,600 dollars, being half of the appropriation initially approved for the biennium 2000-2001 in its resolution 54/250 C of 23 December 1999, less 2,563,800 dollars, being the reduction approved by the Assembly in resolution A above, shall be financed in accordance with regulations 5.1 and 5.2 of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations as follows:

(a) 51,899,313 dollars, consisting of:

(i) 21,193,700 dollars, being half of the estimated income other than income from staff assessment approved for the biennium 2000-2001 by the Assembly in its resolution 54/250 B of 23 December 1999;

(ii) Plus 5,310,100 dollars, being the increase approved by the Assembly in resolution B above;

(iii) 25,395,513 dollars, being the balance in the surplus account as at 31 December 1999;

(b) 1,213,381,487 dollars, being the assessment on Member States in accordance with its resolution 55/5 B of 22 December 2000 on the scale of assessments for the year 2001;

2. There shall be set off against the assessment on Member States, in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 973 A (X) of 15

December 1955, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund in the total amount of 179,097,566 dollars, consisting of:

(a) 159,455,750 dollars, being half of the estimated staff assessment income approved by the Assembly in its resolution 54/250 B;

(b) Plus 14,213,700 dollars, being the estimated increase in income from staff assessment approved by the Assembly in resolution B above;

(c) Plus 5,428,116 dollars, being the increase in income from staff assessment for the biennium 1998-1999 compared with the revised estimates approved by the Assembly in its resolution 54/247 B of 23 December 1999.

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38. The Fifth Committee also recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft decisions:

Draft decision I
Revised estimates of resolutions and decisions adopted by the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 2000

The General Assembly takes note of the reports of the Secretary-General on the revised estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions adopted by the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 2000[19] and, with respect to the related recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[20] authorizes the Secretary-General to enter into commitments not exceeding 856,400 United States dollars for the purpose of implementing the resolutions and decisions adopted by the Council at its substantive session of 2000 for activities approved,[21] and requests the Secretary-General to report thereon to the General Assembly at its fifty-sixth session in the context of its consideration of the second performance report.

Draft decision II
The critical situation of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women

The General Assembly:

(a) Notes that the adoption of draft resolution VI in paragraph 35 of the report of the Third Committee[22] would give rise to additional requirements of up to 800,000 United States dollars under section 9, Economic and social affairs, of the programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001[23] on the understanding that the provision of regular budget funds to the Institute would constitute a one-time

[19] A/C.5/55/25 and Corr.1 and Add.1.

[20] See A/C.5/55/SR.41.

[21] Economic and Social Council resolution 2000/22 of 28 July 2000 and decision 2000/311 of 22 November 2000.

[22] A/55/595.

[23] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 6, vol. II* (A/54/6/Rev.1).

exception to the provisions of article VI, paragraph 1, of the Statute of the Institute;[24]

(b) Decides, in this connection, to advance the Institute up to 800,000 dollars for the year 2001 pending receipt of voluntary contributions on a one-time, exceptional and emergency basis;

(c) Also decides that, if voluntary contributions are insufficient to meet the Institute's requirements for 2001, this advance, less voluntary contributions received, will be considered a one-time only subvention, and that the resources utilized under the terms of this subvention will be reported in the context of the second performance report on the programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001;

(d) Emphasizes the need for the Institute, as a voluntarily financed programme of the United Nations, to pursue, as a priority activity, the expansion of its donor base, in accordance with the provisions of article VI, paragraph 1, of its Statute.

[24] A/39/511, annex.